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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Re:

MM Docket No. 00-166\_\_

RM-9951

Amendment of Section 73.202(b)

Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations

(Wickenburg, Aguila and Bagdad,

Arizona)

Dear Ms. Salas:

Transmitted herewith, on behalf of Circle S Broadcasting Co., Inc., is an original and four (4) copies of its Reply Comments in MM Docket 00-166. Please contact the undersigned in the event the Commission has any questions with respect to these Reply Comments.

Sincerely,

Lee J. Peltzmai

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# BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554 OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

In the Matter of	)	
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FM Broadcasting Stations	)	
(Wickenburg, Aguila and	)	
Bagdad, Arizona)	)	

To: Chief, Allocations Branch Policy and Rules Division Mass Media Bureau

#### **REPLY COMMENTS**

Circle S Broadcasting Co., Inc. ("Circle S"), licensee of Station KSWG(FM), Wickenburg, Arizona, by its counsel, hereby submits it Reply Comments in the above-captioned rule making. In support of its position, Circle S submits the following:

The Commission Notice of Proposed Rule Making, 00-2069, released September 8, 2000, proposed the allotment of Channel 242C3 at Wickenburg, Arizona. Circle S counterproposed that Channel 231C3 be allotted to Aguila, Arizona, as that community's first local service and that Channel 242C3 be substituted for Channel 231C3 at Wickenburg, Arizona and Station KSWG's license be modified accordingly. Bagdad Broadcasting Company ("BBC") counterproposed that Channel 242C3 be allotted to Bagdad, Arizona as that community's second local service.

Both Aguila and Bagdad qualify as communities deserving of local transmission service under the Communications Act. However, while Aguila currently lacks any local broadcast service, Bagdad does have a channel allotted to it. Both communities have sufficient population, economic activity and local identity to justify an additional local radio station. The public

Bagdad. To that end, Circle S has determined that both communities can be allotted transmission services: Channel 242C3 can be allotted to Aguila and an additional vacant allotment can be allotted to Bagdad.

Circle S has performed an engineering review for alternative channels to serve Bagdad. There are at least two other channels that can be allotted to Bagdad consistent with the Commission's technical rules. Channel 226C3 can be allotted to Bagdad at several locations including reference coordinates 34°, 37′ 06" North Latitude; 113°, 22′, 51" West Longitude, as demonstrated by the attached allocation study. This site would provide the required 70 dBu signal coverage over the city of license. Also, Channel 247C3 can be allotted to Bagdad at a number of locations including reference coordinates 34°, 33′, 12" North Latitude; 113° 22′, 04" West Longitude, as demonstrated by the attached allocation study. This site will also easily provide the required 70 dBu signal coverage over Bagdad. This statement of available channels and locations is not intended to be exhaustive, but amply demonstrates the possibility for an additional Bagdad allotment on a channel other than 242C3. Thus, the Commission can make an additional allotment at Bagdad and still allot Channel 231C3 to Aguila and substitute Channel 242C3 for Channel 231C3 at Wickenburg.

The Commission can equitably and fairly demonstrate radio frequencies in this case by allowing both Bagdad and Aguila an allotment – Aguila on Channel 231C3 and Bagdad on any one of the alternative available channels. See Banks, Redmond, Sunriver and Corvallis, Oregon, 13 FCC Rcd 6596 (1998) (Channel 224C2 to Sunriver in lieu of Channel 269C2 in order to allow local transmission service at both Sunriver and Redmond). Accordingly, Circle S requests that

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the Commission allot Channel 231C3 to Aguila while simultaneously allotting one of the available alternative channels to Bagdad.

Respectfully submitted,

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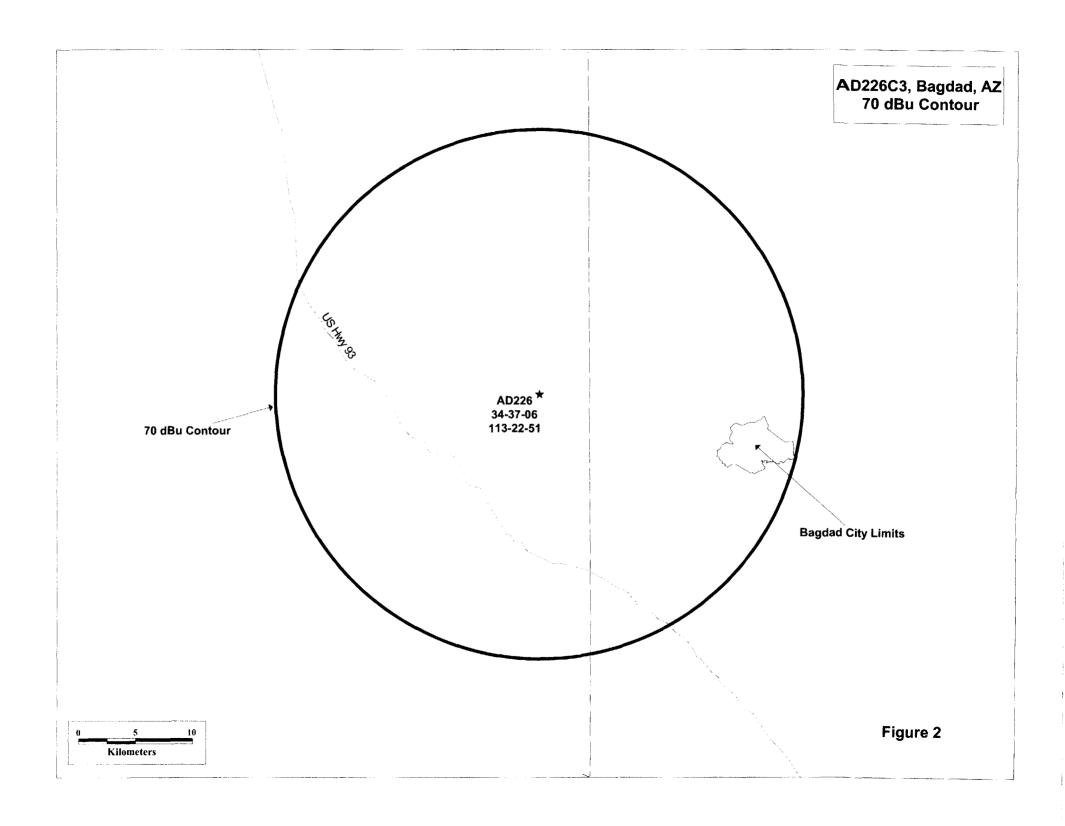
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### Channel 226C3 at Bagdad, Arizona Allocation Study

Reference Coordinates:

North Latitude: 34-37-06 West Longitude: 113-22-51

4 37 06 3 22 51		Current		spacin	gs MHz		Search Dat 11-14-00
Call	Ch#	City	•	–	Dist'	R'qrd	Margin
 KAFFFM	225C	Flagstaff	AZ	77 <b>.</b> 2	175.87	176.0	-0.13 *
KQOLFM	226C	Las Vegas	NV	307.8	244.16	237.0	7.16 *
KDKB	227C	Mesa	AZ	139.4	187.56	176.0	11.56
KJJJ	224C2	Lake Havasu City	ΑZ	264.3	74.94	56.0	18.94
RDEL	224C2	Lake Havasu City	ΑZ	264.3	74.94	56.0	18.94
KADD	228C1	Laughlin	NV	297.0	101.16	76.0	25.16
AVAC	224C1	Kingman	ΑZ	297.0	101.16	76.0	25.16
KLJZ	226C1	Yuma	ΑZ	208.4	247.88	211.0	36.88

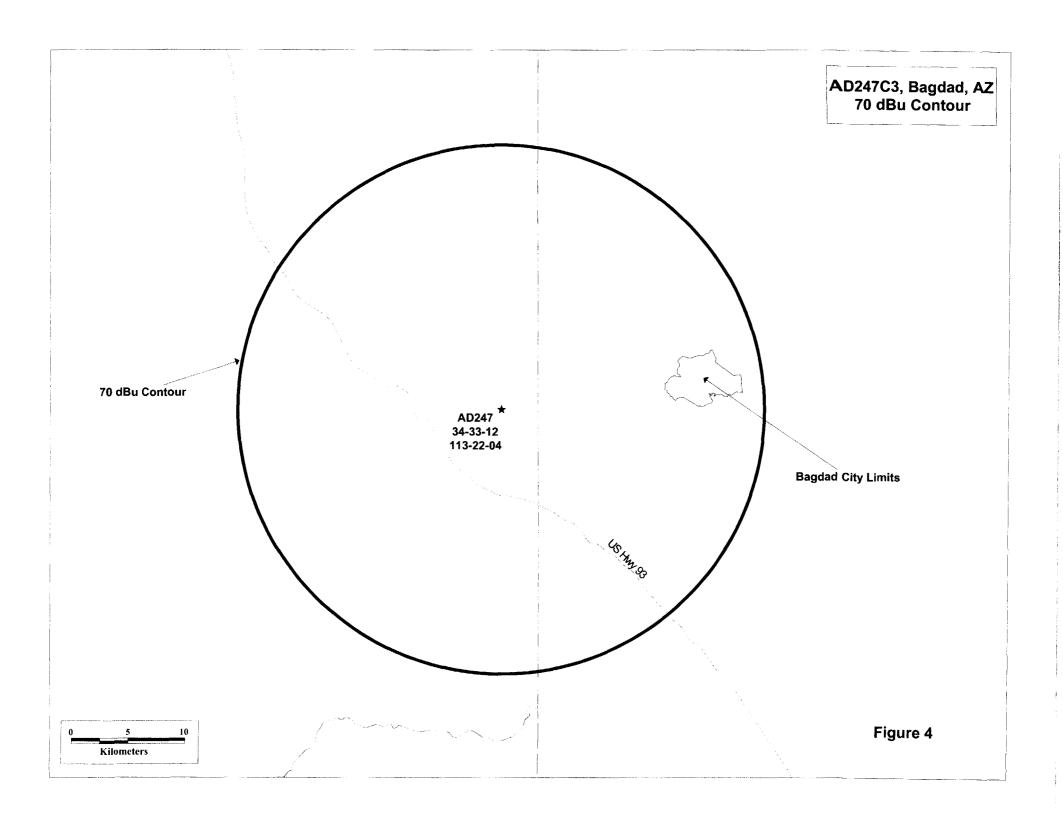


## Channel 247C3 at Bagdad, Arizona Allocation Study

Reference Coordinates:

North Latitude: 34-33-12 West Longitude: 113-22-04

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Call Ch#	City		Dist'		Margin
	Lake Havasu City Needles	269.9 300.2		· ·	0.41 * 19.80 30.08 40.96



#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Dawn L. Hughes, hereby certify that I mailed on the 14 day of November, 2000, a copy of the foregoing via U.S. Mail, first class, postage prepaid, to the following:

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